

# Michigan Flu Focus

Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report



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Michigan Influenza Activity
No Activity
Sporadic
Local
Regional
<u>Widespread</u>

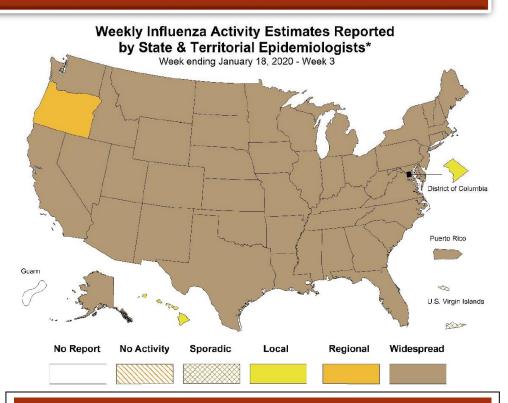
<sup>\*</sup>Clicking on the current activity level will direct you to the CDC webpage defining each activity level for the geographic spread of influenza

## Updates of Interest

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is closely monitoring an outbreak of respiratory illness caused by 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV), first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China. The first confirmed case in the United States was announced on January 21, 2020. There are ongoing investigations to learn more.

Please visit the following link for more details.

Link: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html



## Influenza-associated Pediatric Mortality

Nationally, 54 influenza-associated pediatric deaths have been reported thus far for the 2019-2020 flu season. Two (2) pediatric influenza (B) deaths have been confirmed by MDHHS during this season.

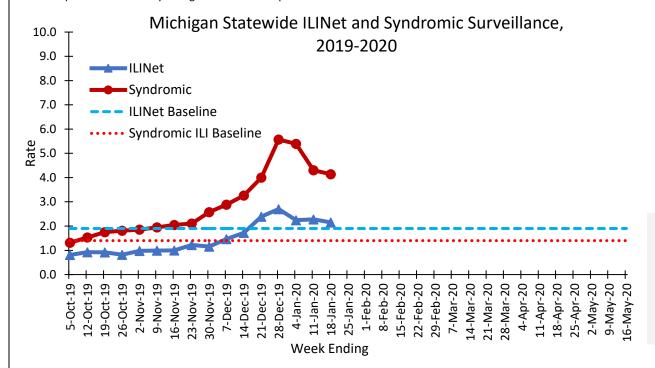
#### U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet)

Michigan participates in ILINet, a collaborative effort between the CDC, state and local health departments, and volunteer sentinel clinicians as part of Michigan's influenza surveillance. ILINet provides data on the total number outpatient visits to health care providers seen for any reason and the number of those patients with influenza-like illness (ILI). For this system, ILI is defined as fever (temperature of 100°F [37.8°C] or greater) and a cough and/or a sore throat without a known cause other than influenza.

#### Number of Reports and ILI % by Region in Michigan during this time period:

Region	С	N	SE	SW
No. of Reporters <b>Total (34)</b>	11	7	12	4
ILI %	1.3	3.5	4.2	1.4

Data is provisional and may change as additional reports are received.



# Michigan ILI Activity 2.2%

(Last week: 2.3%)

Regional Baseline\*: 1.9%

A total of 321 patient visits due to ILI were reported out of 14,913 office visits during this period.

#### **National Surveillance**

In the United States, <u>5.0</u>% of outpatient visits were due to ILI. (Last week: 4.7%)
This is **above** the national baseline of 2.4%

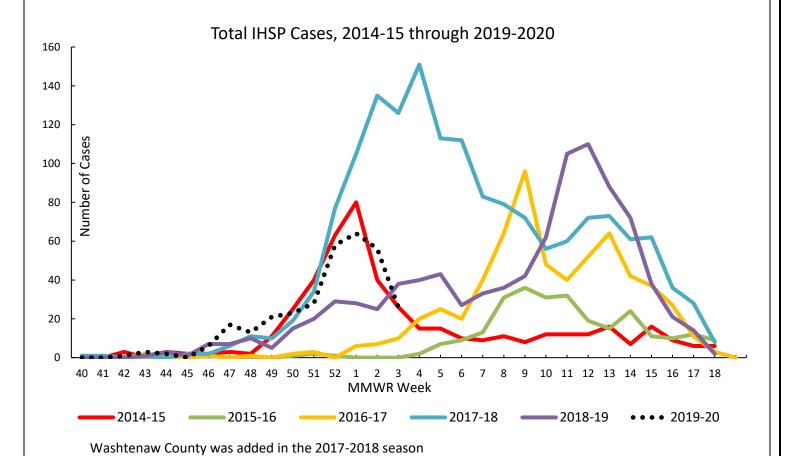
#### Become an ILINET provider!

<sup>\*</sup>Regional baseline is determined by calculating the mean percentage of patient visits due to ILI during non-influenza weeks for the previous three seasons and adding two standard deviations

### Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Project (IHSP)

The CDC's Influenza Hospitalization Surveillance Network (FluSurv-NET) provides populationbased rates of laboratory-confirmed influenza-associated hospitalizations from October 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> each year. Michigan participates as an IHSP state in FluSurv-NET for Clinton, Eaton, Genesee, Ingham, and Washtenaw Counties.

There were 26 (2 pediatric, 24 adult) influenza-associated hospitalizations reported to MDHHS for the IHSP during this time period. Since October 1st, 318 (66 pediatric, 252 adult) influenzarelated hospitalizations were reported in the catchment area for the 2019-2020 season.



## Join the Influenza Sentinel **Hospital Network (ISHN)!**

What is it? ISHN is a group of hospitals in Michigan that voluntarily report weekly aggregate counts of influenza positive inpatients to assist MDHHS with statewide flu surveillance

How it works: As a participating hospital in the ISHN, you would complete a brief Survey Monkey every week containing:

- Number of hospitalizations with a positive influenza test by age group during that time period
- The total number of hospitalizations due to any condition during that time period (if available)

The data you provide is aggregated by region and can assist providers and public health in recognizing changes in the age or geographic distribution of flu in this population.

If your facility is interested in participating or would like more details, please contact Sue Kim (KimS2@michigan.gov)

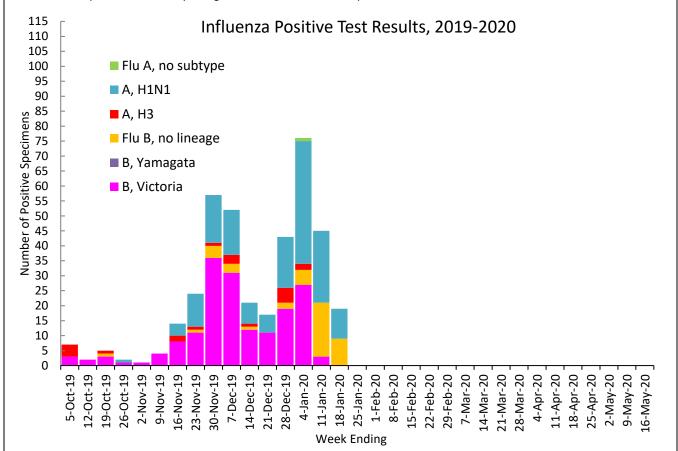
# Laboratory (Virologic) Surveillance

There were **19** new positive influenza results (11C, 0N, 4SE, 4SW) reported by the MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories (BOL) during this time period.

#### # of Positive Respiratory Virus Results by Region

	С	N	SE	SW	Total
H1N1	57	26	23	46	152
H3N2	4	0	8	8	20
Infl B	69	6	55	86	216
Total	130	32	86	140	388

Data is provisional and may change as additional results are reported.



Note: Flu B subtyping will be reported based on MDHHS BOL testing runs and will be backtracked into this graph Latest MDHHS BOL Flu B lineage determination run: *January 17, 2020* 

# Michigan Sentinel Clinical Lab Network Respiratory Virus Data

Thirteen (13) sentinel clinical labs (3SE, 2SW, 6C, 2N) reported during this week

2N) reported during this week				
SE Region				
Influenza A: moderate – high; increasing				
Influenza B:	moderate – high; decreasing			
Parainfluenza:	slightly elevated			
RSV:	moderate –high; decreasing			
Adenovirus:	slightly elevated			
hMPV:	elevated			
	Central Region			
Influenza A:	elevated; variable			
Influenza B:	moderate; some increases			
Parainfluenza:	sporadic–low			
RSV:	elevated; decreasing			
Adenovirus:	low			
hMPV: low – slightly elevated				
SW Region				
Influenza A:	moderate; decreasing			
Influenza B:	moderate – high; some			
	decreases			
Parainfluenza:	sporadic – low			
Parainfluenza: RSV:	sporadic – low moderate; variable			
RSV:	moderate; variable			
RSV:	moderate; variable low			
RSV:	moderate; variable low low			
RSV: Adenovirus: hMPV:	moderate; variable low low North Region			
RSV: Adenovirus: hMPV: Influenza A:	moderate; variable low low  North Region slightly elevated			

no activity

sporadic

Adenovirus:

hMPV:

## Congregate Setting Outbreaks

There were **4** new respiratory outbreaks (2C, 0N, 0SE, 2SW) reported to MDHHS during this time period. Respiratory outbreaks for the 2019-2020 season are listed in the table below.

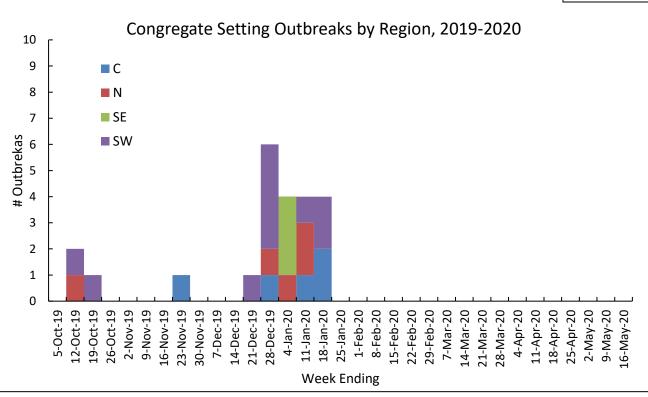
#### # of Congregate Setting Outbreaks by Region

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Facility Type	С	Ν	SE	SW	Total
Schools: K-12 & College	1	0	0	0	0
Long-term Care / Assisted Living Facility	4	5	3	9	21
Healthcare Facility	0	0	0	0	0
Daycare	0	0	0	0	0
Homeless Shelter	0	0	0	0	0
Correctional Facility	0	0	0	1	1
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5	5	3	10	23

#### Did you know?

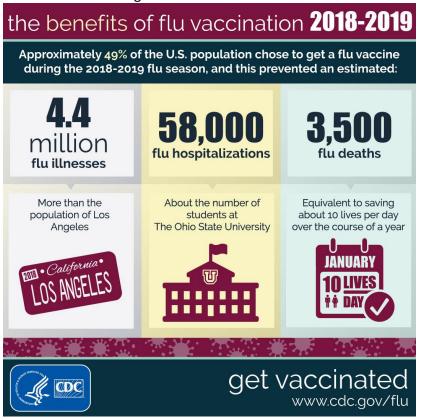
Congregate setting outbreaks of viral respiratory illnesses are required to be reported to your local health department? See:

- Influenza Guidance for Healthcare Providers
- <u>Guideline for influenza and</u>
   <u>Respiratory Virus Outbreaks in</u>
   <u>Long-Term Care Facilities</u>



#### **Influenza Vaccine Updates**

Each year flu vaccination prevents millions of illnesses and thousands of deaths due to influenza. CDC <u>estimates the burden of flu averted</u> by vaccination each year to communicate the benefits of this vital vaccine. Below is a graphic developed by CDC to illustrate the benefits of the flu vaccine during the 2018-2019 flu season.



#### **Influenza News Blast**

- More Than a Third of Recent Flu Cases Caused by Influenza B
- Influenza B Continues to Circulate as Some Flu Metrics Drop
- Illness Risks vs. Vaccination Benefits
- Cold vs. Flu
- <u>Early Season Pediatric Flu Influenza</u> B Infections- MMWR
- Vaccine Comparison in Inducing Immune Response
- Flu Forecasting Tool: FluSight

#### **Additional Resources**

- MDHHS Influenza Webpage
- MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories
   (BOL) Webpage and Test Request

   Forms
- CDC FluView Weekly Report
- NFID Flu and Chronic Health Conditions Toolkit
- CDC Healthcare Professionals Flu Toolkit
- Immunization Action Coalition: Ask the Experts- Flu
- MDHHS- Influenza Vaccine F.A.Q.
   View Michigan Flu Focus Report archives here

#### **Influenza Burden Estimates**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have once again begun to release <u>preliminary burden</u>
<u>estimates</u> for the 2019-2020 influenza season.

Between October 1, 2019 through January 18, 2020 it is estimated that there have been:

- 15 million 21 million flu illnesses
- 7 million 10 million flu medical visits
- 140,000 250, 000 flu hospitalizations
- 8,200 20,000 flu deaths

Additionally, there have been 54 confirmed flu-associated pediatric deaths for the 2019-2020 flu season.

Influenza activity is <u>slightly decreasing</u> <u>around the country</u> however, flu-like illness is still above baseline in every region in the United States.

Remember: It is not too late to get vaccinated! Get your flu shot!

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For more information about flu vaccine, visit www.michigan.gov/flu.

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